REPORT

DATE:

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TO:

Administration Committee

Regional Council

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Harbor Subdivision Alternatives Analysis

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Direct staff to develop a funding agreement with the MTA to provide \$2 million towards the Harbor Subdivision Alternatives Analysis.

BACKGROUND:

In December 2006, the MTA completed a preliminary feasibility analysis for implementing various types of transit service on the Harbor Subdivision rail right-of-way. Through the Harbor Subdivision Alternatives Analysis, MTA intends to conduct further detailed technical analysis and public outreach on potential alternatives, leading to the selection of a Locally Preferred Strategy. Once approved by the MTA Board, the Locally Preferred Strategy could be considered by SCAG for inclusion in a future RTP update.

SCAG and MTA, recognizing a common interest in developing effective transportation projects and strategies to help relieve congestion and improve mobility, are seeking to partner together to fund this study. The Harbor Subdivision Alternatives Analysis will identify regionally significant transit improvements that could connect the South Bay and the Wilmington/San Pedro area to Downtown Los Angeles. SCAG's contribution would fund a portion of the study.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding would be provided in the FY 08/09 OWP and subsequent OWPs.

Reviewed by:

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Department Director

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